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## **Acquisition Professional Development**



## **Integrated Digital Environment Professional Development Life Cycle**

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# Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act (DAWIA)

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## Background

- Improve the quality of the acquisition workforce
- Improve the acquisition process
- Provide a framework of minimum education, experience & training for positions and incumbents
- DAWIA brought SAF/AQ into personnel domain
  - ▢ requires access to personnel information
  - ▢ management of acquisition related assignments
  - ▢ reporting workforce related issues



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# Professional Development Integrated Digital Environment

- Create an environment where people have immediate access to the information they need to do work
  - requires analysis of what work has to be performed
  - requires tools, connectivity, and corporate memory
  - takes a culture change to allow access to information
- Creates knowledgeable workers, increases productivity





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# Assumptions

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- Creating an integrated digital environment requires changes in the culture and work processes
  
- Working with the Air Force and DoD Personnel community and our customers to provide
  - Essential career planning guidance and tools
  - Flexible policies and procedures



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# Assumptions (cont'd)

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- Effective workforce planning and utilization requires
  - ▢ Mechanisms to anticipate workforce trends
  - ▢ Capability to forecast skills (competency) changes
  - ▢ Resources and infrastructure that facilitate recruitment, development and retention of workforce



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# Project Objectives

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- Enhance and maintain an effective Acquisition Professional Development Program
- Ensure core business processes support the Air Force mission and individuals' needs
- Provide a sufficient, well-qualified and retainable workforce to support Air Force acquisition programs
  - ▢ promote effective workforce planning, professional development and utilization
  - ▢ provide automated tools and flexible procedures that facilitate self-service career opportunities



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# My Acquisition Career Vision

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- Create an information environment that facilitates:
  - Planning Professional and Personal Growth opportunities (Assists in mentoring and individual development planning)
  - Aggregating, executing and funding IDP requirements
  - Analyzing performance based information on all aspects of the acquisition professional development program
  - Providing comprehensive guidance, expert advice
- Promote flexible procedures and streamlined “self-services”
  - Throughout the entire personnel life cycle



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# Acquisition Workforce Personnel Life Cycle

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- Begins with Accession to workforce
  - ▢ Manage acquisition coding of positions
  - ▢ Assignment to acquisition coded position
- Development, utilization & maintenance activities
  - ▢ Education and training (initial skills, certification)
  - ▢ Assignments and referrals to acquisition positions
  - ▢ Cross training, career broadening
- Separations and retirements complete the cycle
  - ▢ Manage Critical Acquisition Position waivers
  - ▢ Ensure cadre of qualified personnel are in the queue





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# Acquisition Workforce Personnel Life Cycle

## MyAcquisitionCareer.mil

### Accessions

**Manpower Data System**  
Manage Acq Wrkforce Auths  
Acquisition Position Coding  
Set Position Development  
Reqt's

**Personnel Data Systems**  
Assignment Preference  
Worksheet  
Civilian Resumix

### Workforce qualification

Assignment Actions  
Completed  
Skills assessment  
(Inventory)  
UMD Guide  
Create/revise/develop  
Plan  
**Jobs Jobs Jobs**  
afoats.af  
careers.airforce  
(Training Assessment)

### Development

Initial Skills Training  
Career/Functional Template

Tuition Reimbursement  
DAU Training  
Managerial training

Air Force  
**Guide Book**  
**Career Brief**  
**DAU On-Line University**  
Training Policy  
Training Reports  
HQ AF On-line Registration  
Professional Military Education  
Education  
AFPC DPD Training  
Dept of Education  
Generic career guide

### Utilization

Career/Functional Assignments  
Civilian / Military Integration

Military/Civilian Classification  
Assignment Systems  
Local fill actions  
Career Broadening  
Promotion Rates  
Acq Corps Mbrship/Eligibility)  
Waivers

Officer guide (mil)  
Assignment Process  
Military Assignments  
Civilian Career Programs  
**Jobs Jobs Jobs**

### Maintenance & Enhancement

Mentoring  
Cross Flow Training  
Continuous Learning  
Tuition Reimbursement  
Acq Demo  
Incentive Pay

Commanders guide  
AMC Retention  
Career Corner  
**Jobs Jobs Jobs**  
Civilian Jobs  
Civilian Career Programs  
Civilian Benefits  
AF Civilian Benefits  
**Civilian Pay**  
Military Pay  
Military Assignments  
Military Pay and Benefits

### Retirement & Separations

Critical Acq Positions  
ADSC Requirements  
Tenure Waiver  
Exit Acquisition  
Ret & Sep AFPC  
Civilian Retirement  
Veterans Affairs  
**Jobs Jobs Jobs**  
Career Corner

**DoD IT Projects**

**Portals in Federal Govt**

**More on Portals**

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# Acquisition Workforce Accessions/Workforce Mix

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- Determine workforce requirements
  - mix of skilled professionals, organic - military/civilian
  - assess inorganic support (FFRDC & A&AS)
- Ensure Manpower coding reflects planned utility
  - Establish Manpower Data System Filtering
- Establish/utilize functional progression templates
  - Enhance functional career development templates
  - Build Individual Development Planning Component
- Ensure assignments enforce qualification stds
  - Monitor Air Force Acquisition Assignments
  - Civilian Career Program and local hiring practices



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# Acquisition Workforce Development

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- Institutionalize “Training is an Investment”
- Validated requirements must be integrated with the budget planning and resource allocation processes
  - ▢ Comprehensive Individual Development Planning
  - ▢ Prioritize professional development requirements
  - ▢ Ensure equitable resource allocation
- Build and maintain effective functional career guides and operational policies



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# Acquisition Workforce Utilization

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- Ensure proper distribution and skill mix of the force
  - ▮ Manage Cross-flowing enlisted personnel
  - ▮ Manage Career Broadening of Military/Civilians
- Manage proper ratio of trainees to journeyman
- Establish flexible utilization of military and civilian
  - ▮ Integrate military and civilian data bases
  - ▮ Streamline civilian classification
  - ▮ Allow cross utilization of military and civilian authorizations
  - ▮ Utilize single assignment/placement system



# Acquisition Workforce Maintenance and Enhancement

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- Retain workforce with incentive programs
  - ▢ Provide challenging work
  - ▢ Provide opportunities for recognition and advancement
- Provide robust career progression mentoring
- Provide professional and personal continuous learning activities
- Provide fair and equitable compensation strategies



# Acquisition Workforce Separations and Retirement

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- Manage the priority placement of civilians and military affected by RIF and SERB programs
- Expand opportunities to re-hire military members under civilian authorities
- Manage Position Certification, Continuous Learning & Active Duty Service Commitment waivers
- Reward people with generous retirement plans and recognition programs



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# MyAcquisitionCareer.mil & GCSS-AF - Aggregation Model

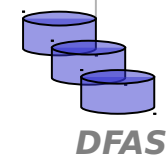
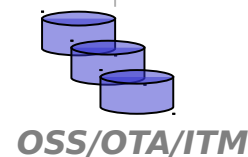
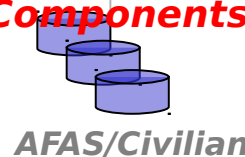
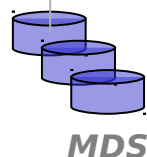
**Users' Browsers**



**GCSS-AF Integration**



**GCSS-AF Enterprise Business Components**



**Enterprise Business Databases**



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# My Acquisition Career Capabilities

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- Support Virtual Personnel and Pay services
- Assists with workforce mentoring
  - ▢ Essential planning information (guidance) accessible
  - ▢ Comprehensive Individual Development Planning
- Enable employees, their managers and those supporting the Acquisition Professional Development Program to begin accessing and controlling:
  - ▢ relevant acquisition personnel information
  - ▢ professional development products and services





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# Conclusion

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Working with our internal customers and commercial partners to develop MyAcquisitionCareer.mil is helping the Air Force shape our overall information technology architecture by drawing on the Internet and best commercial practices